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**\$5,900 IN FINES, COSTS AND RESTITUTION
IMPOSED ON PENNSYLVANIA MAN
FOR ILLEGALLY KILLING TROPHY BUCK**

Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Tod A. Moore, DOB: 10/8/64, of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, was sentenced today by U.S. District Court Judge William W. Caldwell in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Moore was directed to pay a \$5,000 fine and a \$100 to the Clerk of Courts. In addition, the Court ordered Moore to pay an additional \$800 in restitution to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Moore will also serve one year of probation during which time he may not hunt or fish within the United States.

On January 27, 2006, Moore pled guilty in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, to a one-count information that charged him with engaging in the sale and transportation of wildlife worth more than \$350, specifically, an 8-point trophy buck white-tailed deer, knowing that the deer was taken in violation of Wisconsin law.

Forty-seven hunters from eleven different states have faced charges in state and federal courts following a two-year investigation into illegal white-tailed deer and

turkey hunting in Richland and Iowa Counties, Wisconsin. In connection with interviews and six search warrants executed across the United States, officers seized thirty mounted trophy deer alleged to have been illegally taken along with numerous rifles and compound bows.

United States Attorney Sinnott noted that the sentence was the result of a lengthy and complex investigation conducted by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the United States Fish & Wildlife Service. The case was prosecuted in Pennsylvania by First Assistant U.S. Attorney Martin Carlson and Assistant U.S. Attorney Gordon Zubrod, and in Wisconsin by Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy M. O'Shea.

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